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Local News

Mrs. Bert Lilley left on Friday morning to spent a vacation at the coast.

Carl and Fred Becker were business visitors to the city on Monday.

H. A. Bannister was a business visitor to Calgary on Wednesday.

The wheat quota has been increased to 18 bushels.

Miller Huston visited his parents and daughter in Ponoka on Monday.

Miss Gladys Ruddy of Calgary spent the weekend with her parents here.

Mrs. Jean Stevens, C.W.A.C. was home over the weekend.

Johnnie Dipple and Ken O'Neill took in the hockey game in Calgary Saturday night.

The sitting room of the Oliver Hotel has been brightened up with a coat of paint.

Sid Willis spent a short holiday at his home here returning to Calgary on Monday afternoon.

Old Man Winter put his foot down Monday morning, just to show what he could do.

Bill McCaskill and brother Jack have gone to Saskatoon to visit with relatives.

Dick Nichols of Calgary spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends in Crossfield.

Mrs. C. Britain of Calgary, spent Saturday and Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shaw.

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Charlie Russell, who is with His Majesty's forces overseas, writes to his mother that he has just returned to Glasgow after a period of service in Scotland. Charlie thinks Scotland is a wonderful country and few from the old sod will argue over that point.

The necessary papers in connection with the transfer of the Oliver Cafe having been completed Mrs. Vince Patmore took possession on Wednesday. The premises are closed for a few days for alterations and the necessary cleaning-up.

Smoke Fund Donations

Donations for February:

Crossfield Old Timers	\$10.00
Arthur Heywood	1.00
Mrs. A. Heywood	1.00
Mrs. A. MacLellan	1.00
J. H. Scholfield	1.00
H. R. Fitzpatrick	1.00
R. Wylie	1.00
Chas. Purvis	1.00
Total	\$175.00

Crossfield and East Community Smokes Fund
W. J. Wood, Secretary
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ALBERTA AIRMEN

BURIED IN ENGLAND

Two Southern Alberta airmen have been killed in action overseas, P. O. Ross Laut, son of Frank Laut, M.L.A. of Edmonton, and P. O. William Norman Hegy, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hegy, Airdrie.

F. O. Hegy was navigator of F.O. Laut's plane and they lost their F.O. Feb. 21 in England.

Both fliers were buried in R.A.F. cemetery in Harrogate, England.

STOLE 300 PUFFLETS

Charged with theft of 300 puffs from the farm of Alex B. Cowan at Huggard, a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force, was sentenced to six months in Lethbridge jail by Magistrate F. W. Landry at Crossfield on Thursday.

St. Wm. Stoll will dispose of his entire farm equipment by public auction on Monday, March 20. Archie Boyce, auctioneer.

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FIGHTING WITH MEN

Britain Gets Stories Of Child Guerrilla Forces In Europe

Carrying pistols and tommy-guns, child guerrillas are fighting side by side with Europe's grown men in this child war.

Childish laughter, which pricks the pride of Nazi troops, is a powerful weapon. So are childish pranks. And so is childish bitterness born of desperation.

Stories of guerrilla forces in Russia, Yugoslavia and Greece filter regularly into Britain. Some of the heroes and heroines are a pathetic mixture of grown-up earnestness and childish adventuresomeness. But they know the risks. They know what they are fighting for.

Oleg Koshev, 16, leader of the Young Guard of the Donbas region, ran his organization like a club: secret meetings, passwords, recognition tabs; kids playing with their lives against the Germans.

After two years Oleg was captured, tortured, his brains knocked out with a rifle butt. Ninety others met similar deaths.

But during these years they telephone wires disrupted, deportation of young people set free to Nazi supplies, liberated prisoners of war and distributed undercover bulletins.

In Russia, boys of 10 and 12 play scout in earnest, slipping through the German lines to deliver Stalin's statements and orders to those in German-occupied territory. They inform on the Germans, carry arms and ammunition.

Kolya Shershenkin, 15, a schoolboy, whose sister Aleyna, 13, was murdered by the Germans, stole a Tommy gun and escaped. Days later, half starved, wounded in the leg, he slipped through the German lines to join a guerrilla band. Once he dragged a wounded comrade four miles to safety. Another morning a tall German came into camp at a gallop, followed by Kolya with two Tommy guns, grinning from ear to ear.

In Yugoslavia, 12-year-old Zdravko Jurna worked as a messenger for the patriots, and lost a leg in the fighting at Split. Nedra Marusic, 9, was seriously wounded while carrying ammunition.

At Gorni Milanovat, near Kravivat, 100 pupils were shot. They died as bravely as their headmaster, holding their school satchels as they faced the guns.

The Farmer Carries On

The Spring Offensive On The Farm Front

Food is the most important and all-pervading munition of war. Without food, war would no more, and human life itself would become extinct. The accumulation of food stores before an offensive or other operation of war is the first imperative obligation of the successful military commander. He knows that, however brilliant his strategy may be, it is bound to fail without the bodily sustenance of his men through the orderly delivery of food at the right place and at the right time. Every detail of supply and transportation must be thought out in advance and co-ordinated.

If the assembling of food entails such a responsibility on the military commander, what about the heavy load on the shoulders of the country's first great leaders—the farmer who makes the assembly of food possible? In peace or war, year by year, the farmer undertakes a great Spring offensive. Everything has to be planned in detail. As in the armed forces, nothing in the preparation for success on the farm may be left to chance.

A year before each spring offensive some seed has to be sown. The growing of good seed is an art in itself and before the best seed has been selected, it has been checked and re-checked. When at last the seed has been chosen, it has to be tested for germination and purity. The seed is the ammunition; the farm machinery the field guns and heavy ordnance. The preparation of the soil parallels the choosing of the battleground on which victory may be best assured, but before the ammunition is used, it has been made certain that the "field guns" sow seeds instead of shrapnel in the highest working order. After the first wave of the offensive has passed, the heavy ordnance, in the form of the harvest, is harvested, ready for the final push in the harvest. All is not plain sailing. There are hazards and heartbreaks, but the farmer carries on. Food just does not happen. It's successful growing is the triumph of the farmer.

HARDY FIGHTERS

Soldiers of the Chin Hills battalion operating on the Burma front against the Japs, live on 45 pounds of rice, 15 pounds of peas and a half-pound of salt a month, and often patrol 14 hours a day in torrential rain.

ORIGIN OF TELESCOPE

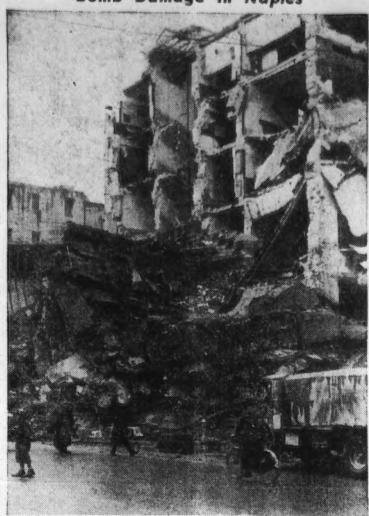
The telescope principle was discovered by an unknown Dutch boy. While working in the Amsterdam shop of Lipperhey, the spectacle maker, the boy held two lenses before his eyes and looked down the street at a church steeple with the now-well-known telescopic result.

Students and schoolboys spy on the enemy for the Allies, and smuggle arms. In the Archipelago, fisherboys go from island to island, carrying information and helping prisoners to escape into Turkey.

In Norway, where Germany has made a tremendous effort to win over the youth, the resistance of the people is an epic story.

In one school four small boys who refused to obey the Quisling teacher

Bomb Damage In Naples



—Canadian Army Overseas Photo.

This six-storey building, one half of which appears to have been sheared off by a gigantic knife, is mute testimony of the destruction caused in Naples by bombs and artillery fire as the Fifth Army advanced on the city. The mass of debris lies where it fell. Only the streets were cleared after the capture of the city to allow movement of traffic.

Marquis Wheat

Has Taken Second Place To Thatcher And Other Varieties

References continue to be made in newspaper and magazine articles to the part Marquis wheat has played in the agricultural development of western Canada, the writers assuming that it still occupies a dominant place in our grain production. The extent to which this has been lost is shown by the latest map illustrating the distribution of the different varieties which the Searle Grain Company has prepared.

Of the wheat grown in the three prairie provinces last year no less than 52 per cent was Thatcher, as against 50.6 in 1942. Marquis remained in second place but with only 18.9 per cent, as compared with 20.2 in the previous year. Thatcher is depended upon almost altogether now in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, because it is rust resistant. But there is only a little of it in Alberta, mostly in the territory north of Lloydminster, rust never having been the menace in this province that it was in the other two. Even here Marquis is in second place to Red Bob, which leads by a small margin. The former variety predominates strongly in the southeastern and the latter in the northwestern sections.—New York Times.

Editor Hits Back

Has No Use For Person Who Does Not Sign His Name

Like all other editors, the editor of the Record is subject to criticism and recently he received a returned copy of the Record with a note on the right hand side of the front page complaining about the paper. This in itself is satisfying proof that the paper is being read.

The writer was generous in his criticism, which was his right. But he, or perhaps it was she, was not sufficiently brave to sign a name.

We have no idea who wrote the note, but we can imagine the type of person from whom it came.

We can only say that such notes bear no weight with us. We deign not to stoop to the cowardice of anonymity. Nor do we want to have anything to do with any such person.—Sherbrooke Record.

NO DISTURBANCE

Toru Matsumoto, 31, a Japanese Christian who has lived in the United States since 1928, was ordered into the ministry of the Reformed Church in America at New York. Seven policemen stood guard outside the church, but there were no disturbances. Matsumoto was interned after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor but subsequently was released.

AFTER TWO CENTURIES

Potatoe were introduced to the United States from England, although they are native to South America. Four trips across the Atlantic and 200 years were required for the potatoe to travel from Peru to Spain, Spain to Florida, Florida to England, and England to New England.

Air Ambulances

Haven Given Place To Transport Aircraft Equipped For Work

Several thousand sick and wounded men, mostly soldiers, have been removed from Italy by air under a casualty air evacuation scheme now being operated on a large scale.

Much good work was done in the early days by air ambulances designed and exclusively employed as such, but experience has shown that their role is strictly limited, states the Air Ministry News Service. The secret of the present service is the use of transport aircraft which have been taken stores to forward areas and which would otherwise return to base empty.

All transport aircraft are fitted so that they can be adapted to take stretchers in a few minutes. In one phase in the western desert casualties were flown in about two hours from a position in almost impassable country, from which they could not have been removed by road in less than three days. Many lives have been saved by this speed and greater comfort in transit. —Manchester Guardian.

Strange Aircraft

Winnipeg Pilot Encounters Nazis Flying Obsolete French Planes

For Harold Freeman of Winnipeg and a R.A.F. pilot destroyed a pair of Potez 630s, a comparatively old type of French fighter used by the Germans during a sweep over northeast France.

Flying with an R.A.F. Typhoon squadron, Freeman spotted the strange-looking twin-engined craft raked it from astern with cannon fire and it crashed. The R.A.F. pilot got the other.

Before the planes were identified the airmen thought they had tangled with a new type of Messerschmitt fighter but later observation of the crashed planes proved them to be Potez 630s. The R.A.F. pilot did not know who used to fly one described the aircraft as the French version of a twin-engined multi-seat fighter.

Leningrad Losses

Civilians Suffered 20,000 Casualties From Bombing

The man who ran Leningrad under siege taking stock after the longest such trial in any city ever undertaken estimates that the civilians suffered about 20,000 casualties from shelling and bombing.

Of these, he said, about 5,000 were killed and 15,000 wounded.

This surprisingly small number of casualties among the original pre-war population of 3,500,000 was due to the rapid evacuation which left no one except indispensable workers and to the strict military discipline among those who remained.

MARCONI MEDAL

Gen. Henry H. Arnold, chief of the United States Army Air Forces will be this year's recipient of the Marconi Memorial Commemorative Medal for achievement in communications. The Wireless Operators' Association announced.

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When gold is allowed to be useful, it is necessary to employ a base metal as an alloy, but platinum requires the more precious iridium as an alloy.

"Prisoner Type"



(Autographed by prisoner). 1st Canadian Division near Pachino, Sicily, July 1943. From a pen and watercolour sketch by Capt. W. A. Ogilvie.

C.W.A.C. Poster Cut-Out Model



"The Proudest Girl in Canada", states the poster, and L-Cpl. Elaine Miller Gibson of Rock Island, Que., who was selected as a model for the Canadian Women's Army Corps latest series of poster cut-outs, really is. She is also very pretty—tall and a blonde with blue eyes. She enlisted in the C.W.A.C. in April, 1942, and has been driving trucks, utility wagons and jeeps since that time, a typical C.W.A.C. serving Canada.

CAREFULLY RECORDED

Graves Of Canadian War Dead Are All Registered

Foster Barclay, Canadian Press war correspondent, with Canadian forces in Italy, says parents and other relatives of Canadians killed in action need not worry about their men's graves being forgotten. A permanent record of each grave has been made since the 1st Division landed in Sicily and fought its way to Ortona.

Two Canadian army graves registration units move forward with the troops, ensuring that every grave, no matter how isolated or overgrown by weeds, is recorded for the time when the body it contains can be moved into an established cemetery set aside for Canada's war dead.

One unit, under Capt. Malcolm Gray, Port Credit, Ont., is supervising burial in a Canadian cemetery of Canadian soldiers who died in Sicily. No site yet has been chosen in Italy, but it is understood that any decision will wait until after the war.

Many graves now dot the countryside—evidence of the Canadians' winding path through Italy. But the people of Canada can rest assured that the plots, whether they are neat regimental cemeteries containing 100 or more bodies, or bare, windswept graves by the wayside, have been located by the registration units.

The job of recording Canada's war dead in Italy is being done by a unit, commanded by Capt. H. H. Olsaker, Vancouver, which recently arrived from Britain. With him are Lieuts. C. M. Bentinck, of St. Catharines, and J. A. Morrison, Cardinal, Ont., and 12 other soldiers.

Armed with compass, map and paper, they go out daily—almost into the front lines—to hunt for graves from information supplied by the crashed planes proved to be Potez 630s. The R.A.F. pilot did not know who used to fly one described the aircraft as the French version of a twin-engined multi-seat fighter.

"Everything humanly possible is done to identify bodies," said Lieut. Bentinck. "If a soldier is too badly mutilated or burned to be recognized, his equipment, or what may be left of it, is scoured for identification. It is surprising the number which have been identified by merely a number or letter on a belt or bit of webbing.

Since Italy was invaded the Canadian registration units have been baffled by the few German graves. Those they have found usually contained bodies buried by the Canadians.

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ORIGIN OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON WEEDS

All Weed Legislation Is The Responsibility Of Provincial Governments

All weed legislation, except that concerning the seed trade is the responsibility of provincial governments, and the preparation and distribution of literature concerning weed identification and control is prominent in the work of provincial departments of agriculture. Some experimental and research work on weeds is carried on at provincial institutions, such as universities and agricultural schools. Most of the work in connection with weed experimentation and research, including surveys, is administered by the Dominion Department of Agriculture through its Experimental Farm and Science Services.

In response to requests from provincial organizations, the Associate Committee on Weed Control was set up by the National Research Council in 1929. Five years later, the Committee was reorganized as a joint Committee with the Dominion Department of Agriculture. In 1939 the Committee was absorbed by the National Advisory Committee on Agricultural Services and named the National Committee on Weeds. From 1929 to 1942, Dr. Robert Newton, President of the University of Alberta, was chairman of the Committee. During that time six volumes of reports and proceedings were compiled and distributed to members and libraries.

In June, 1942, Dr. K. W. Nestby, Winnipeg, was appointed chairman and the name of the committee finally changed to the National Weed Committee.

Among the functions of the Committee is to serve the National Advisory Committee on Agricultural Services in all matters pertaining to weeds; to act as a clearing house for experimental and observational information compiled in the various provinces and make it available to all; to organize meetings to discuss and review work in progress in all the provinces; to undertake critical discussions on Dominion and Provincial weed legislation; to sponsor and finance research projects, and to undertake and promote aggressive educational and publicity work through appropriate medium.

Sane Security

The Need For This In Agricultural Program For Canada

Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director, Dominion Experimental Farms, speaking to the annual convention of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture held recently in Quebec city, emphasized the need for sane security in the agricultural program for Canada.

Security is one great thing for which the war is being fought. "The war", he said, "is not only to prevent our destruction and annihilation, but for better Canada, where with freedom we may all enjoy gainful employment and adequate rewards, set aside with thrift sufficient to take care of our old age, and to have that reserve as securely invested that it may still further guarantee full employment of those not engaged in agricultural pursuits, and thus in turn guarantee adequate markets for all."

"We in agriculture have a double stake in security, for unlike banks and industry we must guard and improve the soils, the source of our income, so that succeeding generations in turn may have opportunities equal to ours. Year by year we calculate our maximum producing power in the light of the following:—

"1. Urgent needs for food and other agricultural products such as flax, tobacco, and other products, not only for Canadian requirements, the greatest market for all our agricultural products, but even more for Great Britain and our Allies who have endured the greatest losses and suffered the greatest losses of this war to date, who have millions in uniform and in essential war industries other than agriculture, compared to thousands in Canada. This is our first and most immediate job;

"2. To do this in the face of the loss to the armed forces and war industries of over one-quarter of our farm man and woman power represented in our youth;

"3. To do this even though price ceilings and floors are not to our liking and to so continue until these are removed so that we may be able to finance higher costs of labour and materials;

"4. To so carry on that we may have a structure of agricultural production and marketing on which we may build a sound post-war agriculture."

SKILFUL WORKERS BUILD CARGO SHIPS ON CANADA'S PACIFIC COAST WATERFRONT



Don Munday, famous mountaineer, picked to climb high places in the Burrard shipyard, is as sure-footed here atop the raft of a cargo ship where he is installing life-belts, as he was when he explored Mystery mountain, believed to be the highest peak in the coast range. Another peak in the range was named Mount Munday by the Canadian Geographic board, in honor of this noted Vancouver climber.

Milk Production

Canadian Farmers Are Praised For Maintaining Output

For maintaining total milk production during 1943, Canadian farmers were entitled to a great measure of credit in view of circumstances, particularly in connection with labour and the food situation in some parts of the country, declared J. F. Singleton at the Interprovincial Dairy Conference held recently at Saskatoon. Mr. Singleton is Associate Director of Marketing Service, Dairy Products, Dominion Department of Agriculture, and Chairman, Dairy Products Board, and at the conference reviewed the Canadian Dairy Industry and Trade during 1943.

Since war commenced, said Mr. Singleton, there had been an important increase in volume of annual total milk production in Canada, and also there had been striking changes in the extent to which milk had been utilized for various purposes. Statistics of total milk production must be based partially on estimates. Reasonably accurate statistics of production in dairy factories were available, and the milk equivalent of the production could be calculated. There were some unknown factors entering calculation of total milk production, as for example, milk used on farms, total milk sold for home consumption and voluntary dairy butter made. It was estimated that total milk production in Canada during 1943 was approximately the same as during 1942, and about 11 per cent. greater than in 1939.

There had been a remarkable increase in the volume of milk sold, he said. Accurate statistics were not available but it was estimated by some that the volume of milk used for that purpose during 1943 was approximately 20 per cent. greater than the volume used in 1942. A survey by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board of the 70 most populous cities and towns in Canada indicated that the distribution of fluid milk in 1943 was approximately 20 per cent. greater than a year earlier. In considering the increase in volume of milk used for distribution in the fluid milk trade or for other purposes, it should be kept in mind that the total volume of milk produced during 1943 was approximately the same as that produced in 1942.

IDENTIFIED BY COLORS

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Buy War Savings Stamps regularly.



Here three generations sit on a couch of anchor chains for their lunch at Burrard dry dock, Vancouver, B.C., Canada's largest shipyard. Gill Steer, the grandson, age 16, is a shipwright's helper and a member of the British Columbia Reserves. Alf Steer, his father, is a ship's fitter and Alf, Sr., (Pop) the grandfather, is in the rivet stores. Gill's commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. McGlashan, was the major of Pop's battalion in the last war.



Bigger Boats Jim Andrew is a powerful figure along Canada's Pacific coast waterfront. Bull-voiced, man-mustached and six feet two, he is seen here on the bridge, docking a war cargo ship built by Blandford. Big Jim has ridden some 85 hulls down the launchways. Has a phenomenal memory for everything but his age. He can't remember being more than 68!

Approved By Censor

R.A.F. Coastal Command Operational Flights Have Covered 100 Million Miles

Up to the end of January aircraft of the R.A.F. Coastal Command in which Canadian planes also served completed 100 million miles of operational flying since the war began. Despite bad weather there has not been a single day when aircraft of this command were not in the air. Their flying involved searching for U-boats from the Arctic to near the Equator, striking at shipping on the coast of Norway, and running far over oceans on photographic and intelligence flights. Planes of the photographic units in 18 months have covered more than 3,500,000 miles, mainly over targets in Germany and Occupied France.

FRINED IN NEED

Two British soldiers were returning to their camp after an evening at a pub during a recent air raid.

"Friend," called a voice from the darkness.

"Run along," replied one of the soldiers, "we're singing."

"Friend," the voice from the darkness reported.

It was something Teutonic about the voice. The soldiers approached and captured a balled out German flyer.

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THE OLD TONGUE OF MANX

The old tongue of Manx, native language of the Isle of Man, is gradually dying out. Fewer than 1,000 of the island's 50,000 population now have a speaking knowledge of it.



—London Sunday Express.
"We may have to give up our rooms at a moment's notice, so we're sending the heavy luggage on ahead."

Helped Build Navy

To Vice-Admiral Percy Nelles Is Well Deserved

After ten years of service as chief of naval staff of the Royal Canadian Navy, Vice-Admiral Percy Nelles has left Ottawa for London, to take charge of Canadian naval operations in European waters.

It is the appropriate occasion for a word of tribute to the man who has had a principal part in building the navy whose record is already one of the greatest achievements of Canada in this war.

It was only the other day that Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, said that the R.C.N. had been an important factor in the victory of the United Nations over the U-boat. And from the United States came the word that he almost

"We probably would have lost the war if the Canadian Navy hadn't come through in a spectacular and heroic way."

It is one of the marvels of this war that Canada, an agricultural nation of less than 12,000,000 people, could have contributed 47 per cent. of the vast fleet of fighting ships necessary to get the freighters across."

Admiral Nelles joined the R.C.N. in 1908, second of the original seven officers of the service. He served in the First Great War and came back to stay in Canada's navy and help to build it. He had 300 officers, 1,400 enlisted men and 15 ships when the war came. Today the R.C.N. has more than 70,000 officers and men and is counting the auxiliary women of the W.R.C.N.S., 250 combat ships and 400 other craft.

Whatever duty and honor awaits Vice-Admiral Nelles in his future service, he has the satisfaction of service well and truly done which has been second to none in the survival of the Allied cause.

The Canadian Navy inherited and has worthily maintained great traditions from the British Navy, among them that of being the silent service. But the fellow countrymen of Admiral Nelles are not precluded from paying him their respect and sending him their best wishes, and through him the same to all his men.

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MILITARY MECHANICS IN POST-WAR PERIOD

Agriculture Can Use Men Who Had Military Mechanical Training During The War

After the war thousands of men now in the armed forces of Canada, who have had exceptional military mechanical training, will be demobilized. How many of these men can, by special vocational training in agricultural mechanization, be readily adapted to an agricultural works improvement program, merits immediate special attention, Dr. E. S. Archibald, Director, Dominion Experimental Farms, told the delegates who attended the Annual Convention of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, recently held in Quebec city.

"These highly trained mechanics with skill and courage," he said, "may be adapted to works programs fundamental to a better agriculture, for example, in land drainage schemes which entail machinery such as ditching machines, drag lines, bulldozers, carry-all scrapers, various types of caterpillar tractors, and many other types of machinery which have not been adapted to agricultural problems, but which can be economically used in a large-scale development program. This same training with the same types of machinery applies to flood control measures, soil conservation and other problems which require skilled engineers, soils experts, and trained mechanics in numbers far beyond any previous conception.

"There is still another aspect of mechanical training as applied to agriculture which may be embodied in such national agricultural improvement works programs, including rural artisans services such as carpenters, blacksmiths, machinery repair men, plumbers, electricians and the like. That these have almost disappeared from rural communities has, without doubt, been due to the fact that the farmer has been in no position to carry on such works improvements. If a better agriculture is to be had, it means improvement in our land, buildings, homes and community centres, and our rural educational institutions, these artisans may well be established as part of our rural structure to the advantage of the nation as a whole."

Referring to the need for advanced agricultural college training in the post-war years, Dr. Archibald said the need will be great for high-class graduate men in industry, food and agricultural products, for practical farming, more rural education in schools and high schools, and in many expanded phases of government activities in post-war works programs. These men will include those requiring the highest type of training in the sciences pertaining to agriculture, including many intricate phases of research on which the future agriculture of Canada is so dependent. The agricultural colleges are not ready for such a huge task, and their need for these graduate students in release of buildings, more buildings, and more highly trained staff is obvious.

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Canadian Airman Tells Story In Graphic Language Of His First Encounter With An Enemy Plane

By F.L. R. Kipp, R.C.A.F., Kamloops, B.C.

FREQUENTLY, during the time I spent as an instructor at No. 11 Service Flying Training School, Yorkton, Sask., I wondered what I would do if a Hun should suddenly appear. At that time, in the peaceful Canadian skies, the possibility seemed very remote. But I still couldn't resist speculating. Would I freeze on the controls? Would I pretend I didn't see the Jerry; or would I go in boldly like a seasoned ace?

It certainly never occurred to me that the first Hun I saw would be the first one I should see go down in flames, another Jerry swept from the skies with lead from my own guns following machine-guns and cannon fire from the guns of my friend, Flying Officer Johnny Johnson, of Omemee, Ont.

During two years instructing at Yorkton, I watched young Canadians graduate as pilots, receive their wings and get posted overseas. They went away with young hearts from England, to seek revenge against the Germans who had done to London. With them went hardy sons of Australia, New Zealand and other parts of the British Empire, as well as Americans who had joined the R.C.A.F. I began to feel like a soldier who carries a rifle through a war without ever firing a shot, but finally the longed-for overseas posting came through. The visions I had in my training days, of activity over enemy territory returned.

Throughout operational training in England and four operational trips I never saw an enemy aircraft. I began to think that perhaps Pete and I were too late, that those before us had kept the sky clear, and that the Luftwaffe's day flew on Hitler's birthday. But my worries were soon dispelled. December 17th, 1943, will always mean more to me than just 13 days until Christmas. It will always be remembered, as the day I saw my first Jerry, not only saw him, but watched him go down in flames.

On that Sunday afternoon, Johnny was accompanied by his navigator, the husky-dependable Jimmy Gibbons, of Vancouver. With me, Flying Officer Pete Huley of Montreal, a pair of Easterners and a pair from the West? We crossed the coast at low level and headed inland at a healthy clip. Some busy chaps were flying and keeping a look-out for unfriendly aircraft. The visibility was good as we went over France. It was interesting to see the farmers below us as they went about their work, clearing freshly-fallen snow, carrying in wood and doing other tasks. Some waved at us as we went racing by; others gave us a casual glance and then went on with their work, only to turn quickly again as though startled at seeing aircraft without swastikas showing on the wings. In places the country appeared rough, and the farms did not look too prosperous. After all, I thought, how could they under German domination? But we did notice cattle grazing, and some of those T-Bone steaks on the hoof made our mouths water.

With Johnny and Gibby leading, we cruised some distance over France, steering clear of danger areas, hitting our turning points on the buttons, thanks to the excellent navigation of Gibby. We hadn't seen a sign of enemy aircraft, and it was very similar to an ordinary training flight. Suddenly the silence of the afternoon was broken. Over our radio came the voice of Johnny in the leading aircraft. "There's one," he said.

Looking ahead, and slightly above us, I saw my first German aircraft. It was a Heinkel medium bomber. To try and explain my feelings, and I'm sure those of Pete, is difficult now. The first time I saw a rate treacherous in these brief seconds. I remember I was amazed at the fact that instead of having the "bags of panic," I had anticipated the excellent training we'd had made it almost second nature to expect enemy bandits. It didn't take long for our Mosquitoes to overtake the Jerry, and Johnny went in on the attack while we lagged back, protecting the rear. What a show! And we had a ringside seat, as did a few Frenchmen below us. They were gathered in a small group to witness the destruction of another unit of Goering's Luftwaffe that had helped despol France.

How we were, standing by, taking in the performance that would make a Stanley Cup final look like a Sunday School picnic from the viewpoint of thrills. We saw the first Mosquito belch fire from machine-guns and cannon and the Hun seemed to shake all over. Then it's port motor caught fire and we knew that Johnny and Gibby had really scored.

As suddenly as they had attacked, Johnny and Jimmy broke away and

Canadian Clears Booby Trap



—Canadian Army Overseas Photo.
Traps for the unwary. Here is an "S" mine hidden under piece of tile. Booby trap pull detonator is attached to door. Sgt. Kerr of Owen Sound, clears the menace.

Ontario Industrialist

West Owes A Debt Of Gratitude To John R. McNicol

From time to time—but all too seldom—men of affairs from Eastern Canada visit the western provinces for a hasty check-up on their Prairie investments, and we of the West are very glad to see them and welcome them. In due course they return to the sacred precincts of Bay street or wherever their head offices happen to be—and that's about the last you hear about it.

Not so, John R. McNicol, Ontario industrialist and member of Parliament for Toronto Davenport. Busy as he is with his own business and constituency affairs, when he comes west it is no fly-by-night trip for a routine check-up. He travels far and wide, meets many people, asks countless questions, does his own investigating, and then returns to Toronto again, with Johnny leaving him a complete record of all that he has observed and discovered. And after he gets home, he makes speeches, interesting and valuable speeches about the things he has seen and the conclusions he has reached. Always at least one of these speeches is made in the House of Commons.

The prairie provinces owe a deep roll of gratitude to John R. McNicol. He is one of the all-too-few big Canadians.—Regina Leader-Post.

Slippery Driving

This Boy Rides A Bicycle While Wearing Skates

A recent winner in the daily "I Saw" contest in the Winnipeg Tribune of seeing a boy on skates mount a bicycle and ride away.

Not only have local chaps been known to ride a bicycle while wearing skates, but at least two have been known to drive a car to and from outdoor skating while wearing this unusual motoring footwear!—Dauphin Herald.

Dress Like Ladies

St. Louis Judge Objects To Women Appearing In Court Wearing Pants

Men will wear the pants in the court said Judge Eugene J. Sartorius—even if a judge does have to hide his trousers with a black judicial robe.

When several women witnesses appeared recently in a St. Louis court clothed in slacks, Judge Sartorius ordered them to "dress like ladies" for future appearance. Divorce hearings were becoming more difficult, the judge told his clerk, because it was hard to find which was plaintiff and which was defendant when both wore pants.

"It's a strange contrast," Judge Sartorius said, "when our federal judges begin wearing robes and women witnesses wear pants."

Few People Know

Just How Large An Amount A Billion Really Is

In these days we let the word "billion" roll glibly off our tongues as easily as if it were "hundred." We know that it's a lot of money, but how many people have any actual conception of the amount?

Compare it to minutes, of which there are 1,440 a day, and guess how many years equal a billion minutes. Answer: It will generally range from 10 to 100 years, with a few a little higher.

Actually, figuring 365 days to each year, the answer is approximately 1,902 years. Since the birth of Christ, only a little more than 1,021,100,000 minutes have passed.—Liberty.

COSTLY RUG

Another "floor" price: The rug now adorning the floor of the Ontario legislature chamber cost \$1,500. It weighs half a ton in a single section and it took 12 men to carry it.

Buy War Savings Stamps regularly.

Canadians Use Piat Gun In Italy



Canadians on the Eighth Army front have been wrecking many German tanks with Piat fire. The Allies newest tank-buster and pill-box wrecker is a light self-cocking weapon. Here, loading the Projector, is L-Cpl. Henry Aubry of Montreal.

Says Britain And The United States Must Stand Together Against The World Aggressors

BRITAIN and the United States have always stood together against aggressors, Sir Godfrey Haggard, British consul-general in New York, said, advocating that the two powers continue to work together in the future. In a speech prepared for delivery to the Canadian Club of Toronto, Sir Godfrey recalled lend-lease and the exchange of leases of British West Indies and Newfoundland bases for over-age American destroyers.

"Cannot we capitalize on this innate capacity for sensible agreements between us?" he asked. Quoting from Prime Minister Churchill, he added, "If we are together, nothing is impossible; if we are divided, all will fail."

Sir Godfrey said the "spreading dominions" of the United States had grown up "under exactly the same internal impulses as our Empire has—the outward thrust of a strong united people against weaker and less advanced neighbors." He pictured "the Empire of the United States . . . growing simply because it had to, to the west coast and beyond; to Alaska and Hawaii; to the Philippines and Panama; and, because the war must be won, even to bases in the British West Indies, Newfoundland, Greenland and Iceland."

The consul-general called upon Canada to try to interpret the British Empire to the people of the United States—"to say to them that our society of British nations stands ready as ever, hand in hand with the United States, to march on together in majesty, in justice and in peace."

"The British Empire . . . is a hard, fast fact, one of the really hard facts of the world today. It is fighting a total war now and after the war it will still be there, fighting for a total peace. When we say we mean to maintain our Empire, it is a definite stabilizing war aim. For Britain stands for American strength. We support each other."

Turning to Empire relations, he said "the Statute of Westminster recorded so many declarations of independence peacefully and gladly accorded. They are also now seen to be declarations of inter-dependence. If self-determination can mean an act of separation, it can also, the dominions say, mean an act of association. . . . We have taught the world something new there between us; an idea that is going to play a great part in the history of the years to come."

Sir Godfrey concluded his speech with a call to Canadians for a substantial gift to the Canadian Red Cross Society every week.

The \$1,000,000,000 gift to the United Nations, the commonwealth air training plan, the role played by Canadian airmen in the Battle of Britain and the priceless assistance of the great Canadian navy."

Largest Convoy

148-Ship Convoy Reaches North Africa Without A Loss

The biggest ordinary cargo convoy to set out to sea—at one time numbering 148 ships spread over 70 square miles—has reached North African ports from Britain without loss or damage, it was announced. A futile attack by four German bombers in the Atlantic and depth charges dropped by escorting vessels against suspected submarines provided the only excitement during the trip.

TOMORROW
He was going to be all that a mortal should be

No one would be better than he.

Tomorrow, Each morning he stacked up the letters he wrote

Tomorrow, he was too busy to see Bill, but he promised to do it

Tomorrow, The greatest of workers this man would have been

Tomorrow, The world would have known him had he ever seen

Tomorrow, But the fact is that he died and failed to live,

And that was when living was through

Was a mountain of things he intended to do

Tomorrow.

—Canadian Congress Journal.

HARD TO GRASP

The Toronto Globe and Mail says the statement that R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. crews have flown 100,000,000 miles since the war began is almost as hard to grasp as is the daring and skill of these young men who in peacetime seemed in the main quite ordinary fellows.

Behind The Moustache



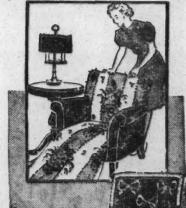
—Canadian Army Overseas photo.
New-fangled field telephone device but the same "Old Bill." It has been a great growing season in Italy as Capt. Perry Cadogan of Glace Bay, N.S., (the man behind the moustache) can testify.

For War Prisoners

Canadian Red Cross Sends Dairy Products Every Week

Among the other contents of the 100,000 parcels to prisoners of war sent by the Canadian Red Cross Society every week are butter, cheese, and dry whole milk. The package of process cheese contains a quarter of a pound, and 25,000 pounds are used every week, equivalent to 1,300,000 pounds a year. The whole milk package holds one pound of gauze packed spray process dry whole milk. One hundred thousand pounds are received every week, or 2,800,000 pounds a year. A like amount of butter is needed for the pound of butter enclosed in every parcel each week. These amounts are not large as exports go but they help swell the grand total of dairy products exported by Canada in aid of the Allies, and take precedence of home consumption.

This Week's Needlework



7397



by Alice Brooks

Are you letting a shabby chair mar the looks of your home? Don't do it! These easy-to-follow slipcover directions make it possible for you to turn out covers that look like a professional. Begin now!

Instructions 7397 contain step-by-step directions for making slipcovers for varied chairs and sofas; material suggestions.

To obtain this pattern send twenty cents in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) to Household Arts Department, McCall's Magazine, 175 McDermott Avenue E., Winnipeg, Man. Be sure to write plainly your Name, Address and Pattern Number. Please allow four weeks for the mails to deliver our patterns; take a few days longer than usual.

OFFERED PRIZES

Hilter has offered prizes to the German people for inventions to help improve Nazi "weapons" ammunition and implements for the armed forces" or "to save labor, raw materials and power," the Nazi agency D.N.B. said in a broadcast.

WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

Nearly \$31,500.00 is available as prize money in the Royal Navy and its division probably will not be decided until the end of the war.

Reconstruction Minister Lord Woolton has been awarded an honorary degree of doctor of laws at Liverpool University.

Promotion to the rank of captain of a nephew of Earl Jellicoe, Cmdr. Christopher Jellicoe, has been announced by the admiralty.

The number of dentists in the British post office savings bank has reached 37,100,000, approximately one in every three persons in Britain.

Aircraft of the coastal command have flown more than 80,000,000 miles. More than 25,000,000 miles were flown in 1942, mostly on anti-submarine raids.

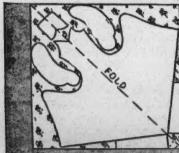
The famous cathedral of Milan, Italy, has been entirely hand carved in miniature, after more than three years of steady work. The model contains 1,977 separate pieces of wood.

The Nairobi information office now issues 11,000 news-letters a week to African forces in Kenya. They are printed in four languages, and the office also publishes a monthly publication in Swahili.

Defence headquarters at Ottawa announced that all cash applications for Film, V-mail, Loan bonds from overseas have been dealt with and the bonds delivered in accordance with the purchasers' wishes.

Lockheed Aircraft Corporation at Burbank, California, disclosed the invention of a machine designed to set from 33,600 to 75,000 rivets an hour compared with a normal hourly rate of 350.

THIS WEEK'S PATTERN



By ANNE ADAMS

Think of it! You can cut this chic apron. Pattern 4599, from one yard of cotton fabric. Choose a pretty print and mark it with a bright, contrasting bias banding. Use colorful percale for a kitchen version or dotted swiss for a sewing or hostess apron.

Pattern 4599 is available in sizes small (32-34), medium (36-38) and large (40-42). Small size takes 1 yard of fabric.

Send twenty cents (20c) in coins (stamps cannot be accepted) for this pattern. Write plainly Size Name, Address and Style Number and send to Anne Adams, Pattern Dept., Winnipeg Newsprint Union, 175 McDermot Ave., E., Winnipeg. Because of the slowness of the mail delivery on our patterns may take a few days longer than usual."

GETTING READY

From a letter by the mother of a six-year-old girl to the head mistress of an infants' school: "Could you recommend a good German book that Molly can learn German from, as we are going with the Army of Occupation after the war?" —Lucio in Manchester Guardian.

During World War I, homing pigeons delivered safely a higher percentage of their messages than did human runners or the telephone service.

The Country Editor

Not Such A Soft Job As Some People Think

We've heard from a country editor in reply to a piece of ours a few days back in which we dared suggest that the nearest thing to bliss on this earth was to be editor of a country weekly. Rather than our own vast responsibilities of telling generals and prime ministers how to run the war and the world we allowed that we'd prefer to run a weekly, even if it meant wrapping the papers ourselves.

Well—"Brother, you're all wet," is the retort we get from an Ontario gentleman who writes on his office stationery and signs his name, but modestly scribbles across the whole piece: "This is a personal letter and not for publication."

He says we couldn't set a stick of type, couldn't keep a ledger, couldn't for a broken press. All we editors of city papers have to do, he says, is let George do it.

"Actually" the ordinary country editor in about nine-tenths of the cases is a first and second best. He's a compositor, pressman, binder, printer, writer, etc., etc. He has to dig up his copy, write it, post his books, fraternize with his customers, do the buying, do the paying, worry about the sheriff and try to find time to be home occasionally and get acquainted with his wife and family.

"No, chum, it's not as easy as just wrapping a paper. There's just one solace. Most editors of country papers are editor-owners and can come down to the office in the morning without fear of the boss firing them when they've been wrung dry like an orange of further usefulness to the firm."

"But don't try running a country paper without being a printer first and not being afraid of getting your hands dirty and a smudge of ink on your nose!"

"Whew! This fellow makes 'out quite a case. We're not so handy at fixing presses even if we do think we could handle the sheriff as well as the next man. All right, we won't buy that weekly this month. But we still have a hunch we're being kidded and the lamp-lit study in a small country town is not yet removed from our reveries.—Ottawa Journal.

The aurora australis is the Arctic counterpart of the aurora borealis.

The earth weighs 5,885,516,000,000,000,000 tons.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

Today's INFANTRY
versatile...fast moving!

BREN GUN

Their Bren guns sputtering volleys of leaden disaster, Canadian soldiers in Italy have proven that man for man they are fully equal to the best trained enemy troops.

A versatile weapon, equally useful for stationary and mobile firing, the Bren is a favorite among Canadians. Small, compact and easy to handle, it is particularly adaptable for troops advancing.

While it cannot make much impression against a tank or armoured plate, the Bren through long and constant usage has proven most efficient when bodies of infantry troops face each other. It is capable of firing both single rounds and bursts.

Rules Are Tightened

Germany Has Issued New Orders
Governing Postal Censorship

The chief of the German high command has issued a second executive order, supplementing the existing rules of censorship of postal communications from Germany to non-belligerent countries.

The sender must now show to an official at the post office a special control card issued by the police or post office in addition to the official certificate bearing the sender's photograph as heretofore required.

The sender's communications with addresses residing abroad are entered on the control card. Applications for it can be made by all persons over 16 years of age residing in the Greater German Reich.

Furthermore it has been ruled that, all communications, apart from post cards, be limited to two letters or two pages each per month. Each page must bear the full name and address of the sender.—British Overseas Press.

People Eager to Learn
ABOUT VENEREAL DISEASE

Eagerness of the Canadian public to learn how the present spread of venereal disease may be controlled was indicated by attendance at numerous community meetings on Social Hygiene Day, February 2, the Health League of Canada.

Generally publicized by the press and the radio, and by public-spirited advertisers, the Social Hygiene Day meetings drew capacity audiences, and in some cities hundreds were turned away. For those unable to attend the special meetings, other opportunities will be offered.

In many cases mayors and other civic administrators are giving strong support to the efforts of the Health League, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and other supporting organizations to bring about public appreciation of "Canada's" major wartime public-health problem."

Among the national organizations which have lined up with the Health League for the voluntary educational program is the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association, with 3,800 member stores.

A feature of Social Hygiene Day observance was the address by Hon. Ian Mackenzie, minister of pensions and national health, over the national network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. He was followed on the air by the ministers of health of most of the provinces, or their deputies, speaking over provincial networks.

Social Hygiene Day was only the first of a run for a year-round program, the Health League points out. It was an occasion for urging community support of more intensive effort to follow.

WILL GROW THEIR OWN

Defense Headquarters announced from Ottawa that the armed forces are to grow their own carrots, beets and potatoes this summer—on a voluntary basis—and that as and when they become available the vegetables will be used to help overcome any shortage across Canada.

Careful nursing will cure many things—but never a grievance.

REG'LAR FELLERS—Good Aim



BY GENE BYRNES

History Book

Prize Offered For The Best Common History Of Canada And U.S.

A. W. Klieforth, United States consul-general in Winnipeg, has offered a prize of \$1,000 to the author of the best common history of Canada and the United States to be used as textbook in North American schools.

The money is being provided by a group of men in Winnipeg, St. Paul, Minn., and Minneapolis. A panel of six judges, selected from the border universities of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Minnesota, North Dakota and Montana, will be announced shortly.

FIGHTING MUSTARD GAS

A technique for fighting mustard gas burns with pills containing the gas itself is reported by British investigators who say the method was employed on volunteers with "beneficial" results.

CHINA'S CONTRIBUTION

From the Chinese the world has obtained silk, paper, printing, the compass, gunpowder, the peach tree, oranges, lemons, tea, porcelain chrysanthemums and soybeans.

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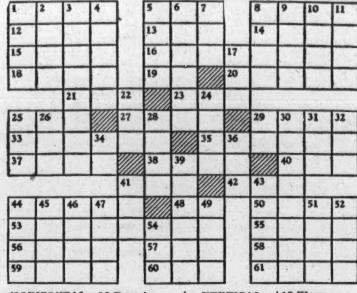
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LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



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The Power of Your Home Paper

The power of the weekly newspaper was amply demonstrated recently when the Minister of Finance submitted his budget. Particulars included in this budget were an appropriation of \$325,000 for expanded study by the National Research Council into industrialization of farm products.

Continuing the research into conversion of surplus farm crops to industrial uses was practically unknown in Canada until last year. One reason, representing the Line Elevator Companies, visited the principal research centres of the United States. Their report convinced the Line Elevator Committee that a great deal for expanded industrial uses was possible through specific research.

The Line Elevators then pioneered a campaign for establishment of a western division of the National Research Council dedicated to finding new and more profitable uses for farm products. The weekly newspapers were solidly behind the advocacy of this plan designed to bring industrialization to the West. Their judgment has been vindicated. Today we find millions of bushels of wheat and other grains being used for industrial purposes, redoubled in the burdensome wheat surplus has strengthened the Canadian wheat price from 70 cents per bushel to \$1.25, plus what is now being paid for wheat-away inflation and financial disaster.

For a long time the weekly press has advocated what was merely an idea in 1938. Now results are in and the western farmers' organizations solidly supporting chemurgy. The government is now making a substantial amount available to the western research into industrial uses for farm crops and has plans for the creation of western laboratories of the National Research Council after the war is over and concluded. The weekly newspapers for good work is indeed great. —V

Scours In Small Pigs

Common scours, an ailment of sucking pigs, gives hog producers considerable trouble and can cause heavy losses in small pigs unless precautions are taken to prevent it. This ailment is most likely to affect young pigs early, spring-farmed litters often being the most affected. damp and chilly buildings, says H. Wilson, Dominion Experimental Farm, London. When nursing pigs become chilled, a attack of scours is likely to result. In some instances theudder of the sow becomes affected with mastitis or garget, resulting in milk that is not only not healthy for hogs but it usually causes fatal scouring. Infection from germs which are also responsible for digestive disturbances resulting in diarrhoea and other troubles.

However, over-feeding or sudden changes in the feed of the sow are probably the most important cause of pig scours. At the first sign of scours the sow's feed should be reduced one-half at least, and if she is receiving buttermilk it should be immediately removed from her ration. A light, thin slop of shorts and water is the most satisfactory diet for the sow, the little pigs are better. It may be necessary to keep the sow on restricted ration for three or four days. Linseed water should be made only by putting a half pound of quicklime into a pail of clean water and stirring it thoroughly while sifting is in progress and then allowing the lime to settle.

Removal of irritating substances from the sow's bowls should be by the use of castor oil. Pigs that are less than one week old should be given a teaspoonful of castor oil, and those over a week old one tablespoonful. If the nursing persists, small quantities of linseed water may be used to advantage. A tablespoonful administered to each little pig daily should be sufficient to alleviate the inflammation in the intestines.

The best treatment will be of little value unless the pigs are immediately removed to clean dry quarters.

If swine dysentery has become established in a herd, the pigs showing signs of sickness should be placed in a separate pen to separate from the healthy ones. When any of the healthy group sicken, they should be removed.

Coupon Calendar
Changes in valid dates of butter coupons.
March 2: Valid—
Sugar coupons 27, 28.
Butter coupons 52, 53.
Meat coupons 41.
Preserves coupons D14, D15, D16.
(Note: D16 has been advanced from March 30.)

March 9—
Tea-Coffee coupons E3, E4.
Meat Coupons 43.

March 16—
Meat coupons 43.
March 23—
Meat coupons 44.
Butter coupons 54.

March 30—
Sugar coupons 29.
Tea-Coffee coupons E5, E6.
Butter coupons 55.

Meat coupons 45.
March 31: Expire—
Butter coupons 50, 51, 52, 53.
Meat coupons 39, 40, 41, 42.

Standing Higher Taxes

Because of an unspectacular speech by the Nation's Economic Stabilizer before the Investment Bankers' Association, it is liable to be bypassed in the new revenue fair and in view of the funnies, it might be useful to call special attention to a couple of paragraphs in Mr. Vinson's report.

"Women spent 104 per cent more for furs in July, 1943, than in July, 1942; in the same month they spent 62 per cent more for coats, 37 per cent more for dresses, 30 per cent more for blouses, skirts and sportswear; 31 per cent more for foundation garments, and 41 per cent more for gloves."

"In August, 1943, receipts of clothing and dry goods stores were 27 per cent above August, 1942; expenditures in cabarets, theatres, night clubs and other places of amusement rose 30 per cent for the same period, and cutouts for beer, wines, liquor, cosmetics, tobacco and flowers were up an estimated 25 per cent."

To use Mr. Vinson's own quite accurate words: "Loyne of ease, political cowardice and personal ambition have brought the country with us away inflation and financial disaster."

He was blasting at the ridiculous assessment American citizens stand under higher taxes now, or Americans must stand for farm products. The weekly newspapers were solidly behind the advocacy of this plan designed to bring industrialization to the West. Their judgment has been vindicated. Today we find millions of bushels of wheat and other grains being used for industrial purposes, redoubled in the burdensome wheat surplus has strengthened the Canadian wheat price from 70 cents per bushel to \$1.25, plus what is now being paid for wheat-away inflation and financial disaster.

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Older Cars Get Break On 1944 Licenses

Here is why the license department is offering older models of automobiles a break in the cost of the legislature on Tuesday by Hon. A. J. Hooke, provincial secretary, will be applied on April 1.

For cars 1934 or earlier make: \$10; not exceeding 100 inches: \$8; not exceeding 105 inches: \$10; not exceeding 110 inches: \$12; over 115 inches: \$15.

No changes are to be made in license rates for cars of later than 1934 model. Their rates are: Wheelbase not exceeding 115 inches: \$20; not exceeding 120 inches: \$25; not exceeding 125 inches: \$30; not exceeding 130 inches: \$30; not exceeding 135 inches: \$32.50; over 135 inches: \$35. —V

CALGARY-EDMONTON ROAD WORK PLANNED

Hon. W. A. Fallow, Alberta Minister of Public Works, announced Thursday that 60 miles of main highway between Calgary and Edmonton will be included in the road completion program for the year—30 miles from Edmonton to Millet, and 30 miles from Calgary to Crossfield.

Mr. Fallow also announced a further 20 miles will be improved on the Jasper highway, west of Edmonton, and that the 1944 program includes the construction of 100 miles of final surfacing of 30 miles between Calgary and Okotoks. —V

HEATED FLYING SUITS

An electrically heated suit is necessary for fliers and gunners on long and high-altitude flights. The men in the air force are working out this protection. A new suit has been devised by General Electric engineers. It consists of jacket, trousers, shoes and gloves with electrically heated wires from an independent power source installed in certain types of planes. Fabrics proved to be good wearers; shiny, seam construction is strong; shiny gloves stand up well. In addition, the electrical circuit built into the clothes operate perfectly when plugged into an outlet after completion of the field tests.

OBEYIENT
George had been called up with his group, and in due time was made orderly in the officers' mess. Here he was told that his duties were to rise at four o'clock each morning, clean up the mess, always to do as he was told, and give no back answers.

"Right-ho," said George cheerfully. "I can guarantee that it'll be just like being at home w/ the missus!"—Exchange.

SYNTHETIC MENTHOL

A new synthetic menthol used in numerous foods, cosmetics and medicines is reported to the American Medical Society. Natural menthol is found mainly in the Orient, now cut off by the war. The new method of producing it artificially was developed by Dr. H. B. Hass and L. B. Barnes (Pratt University). Their synthetic menthol has the same taste and odor as natural menthol, and the pharmaceutical differences, if any, are slight. The new menthol is made from thymol, which is found in oil of thyme, but which is also made artificially. —V

NO EXTRADITION FOR JOHN MCNAUGHTON NOW

H. John McNaughton, construction company relief foreman, who escaped from Waupun, Wisconsin, penitentiary in June, 1932, will be allowed to remain in Edmonton. He was arrested in Edmonton on January 28 by R.C.M.P. for the state of Wisconsin and held for trial on a charge of conspiracy for the State of Wisconsin. In Supreme Court the state had waived extradition proceedings against him because "apparently he has conducted himself as an honest citizen of Canada and is raising a family worthy of consideration." —V

McNAUGHTON GETS PAY
\$14,000 A YEAR
John McNaughton, former Canadian army commander overseas, gets pay and allowances totalling \$14,000 a year. It was reported that McNaughton, on February 24 in a defense department hearing, testified for G. K. Fraser (P.C.), Peterborough West.

Warble Control

It seldom happens that one can get a \$5 return from a \$4 investment, and especially for an investment involving no financial risk. It is possible, however, and as a matter of fact such investments are being made consistently by the more progressive farmers and stockmen of Alberta.

Purchase within the next week sufficient warble powder to treat your herd of cattle, is the advice of L. E. Engle, provincial agent for warble control. Treat all your cattle during March. A pound of warble powder will treat from 50 to 75 head, if directions in the package are followed. It will cost approximately 14 or 15¢ per treatment. One treatment will give about 75 per cent control of the warble, during the proper time, that is just before the first grubs drop. Three treatments begun at the proper time and spaced three days apart to week intervals will give 100 per cent control for the whole year.

Experiment with dairymen, feed lot operators, farmers and ranchers to contend that losses to the warble approximately \$5 per animal per year. This loss includes extra figures of 15 per cent for mortality, 10 per cent for warbles; 25 per cent decrease in milk flow from cows infested by the fly in summer and more than 50 per cent decrease in the tissues in winter; 50 to 100 pounds less weight put on by cattle on summer pasture because of the loss of 15 per cent of meat, and 10 per cent by reducing the weight of the cattle or the rancher with one thousand tons to turn these losses into profit.

To those who would like more information on warble control, a small investment in warble fly control may be highly recommended. To those not interested in increasing those losses consider that the pest must still be considered an important matter. It is important because it is an effective means of filling out natural and urgent demand for greater supplies of meat, milk and leather without grub holes.

March and April are the investment months. The benefits will be returned to the investor throughout the year. —V

CANADA TAKES OVER N.W. STAGING ROUTE

H. C. D. Howe, Minister of National Resources and Supplies, announced in the House of Commons last night that Canada was taking over all installations on the Northwest Staging Route from the railroad to Edmonton to Acheson. Under the plant and equipment in use on the route would be purchased by the Canadian government. Mr. Howe said.

Mr. Howe also announced a further 20 miles will be improved on the Jasper highway, west of Edmonton, and that the 1944 program includes the construction of 100 miles of final surfacing of 30 miles between Calgary and Okotoks. —V

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Some Valuable Hints

Gloves: Frequent washing prolongs the life of washable gloves. Suede gloves can be kept fresh by daily brushing with a soft-bristled brush. Hold them to keep their shape by gently pulling out the fingers when removing them and put them in a long box or little drawer.

Never roll skin gloves into a ball. Allow an extra minute for getting into gloves the proper way—hang them by the fingers and pull them on. If the fingers are too tight, hold them between the hands a moment or two to widen the skin slightly; then allow them to be more supple.

Stockings: Rinse new stockings through in water before wearing them and again after wearing. Use soap for washing them only when they are dirty. They can be washed after a bath in the same water using soap for the soles only. Never iron.

If stockings are too short, sew a piece of tape on the top for a garter fastener. Tie the top of another old stocking, or lengthen the garter with tape or ribbon.

Strengthen new stockings before wearing them by reinforcing the heel and toes with widely spaced shadow darning, and sewing two circular patches, cut from the tops of stockings, on the tops of the garters. The garters are clipped on. Also double rows of stitching around the tops of the stockings just above the joint.

When the foot is too worn to darn, a new foot can be cut from an old stocking and sewn on.

Rubber Aprons: Never allow grease or soap to remain on rubber aprons, and never pin them. Hang them in a dark place when not in use.

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An electric motor, which operates at the remarkable speed of 120,000 revolutions per minute, sixty-five times faster than the conventional motor used in the home washing machine, refrigerators have been built and tested by General Electric engineers. If the wheels of an automobile could be made to turn at the same speed, the auto would travel 100 miles in 10,000 miles per hour, or 165 miles per minute. This is about fourteen times the speed of sound. Motors of this speed are used in the grinding and drilling of essential parts of airplanes and other war equipment and will not be available for general use. Running 3 h.p. weight 7 pounds. You can hold it in your hand. Half a gallon of water a minute is supplied for cooling.

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